

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

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**12. (new) A steering column module for a vehicle or for a motor-vehicle,
the module comprising:**

a base housing;

a switching unit disposed on or in said base housing said
switching unit having a mechanism coupled to a moving
member;

at least one circuit board disposed in or on said base
housing; and

at least one contact switch mounted for motion on said
circuit board and coupled for cooperation with said
mechanism of said switching unit, wherein said circuit board
and said contact switch belong to a common, pre-assembled
unit, said unit being configured in such a fashion that
coupling for motion between said contact switch and said
mechanism of said switching unit transpires during assembly
of said switching unit to said pre-assembled unit.

**13. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, wherein at least
portions of said base housing belong to said pre-assembled unit.**

**14. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, wherein said pre-
assembled unit has housing sections which cover at least portions of
said circuit board.**

15. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, further comprising securing means disposed on said pre-assembled unit to secure a position of said contact switch.
16. (new) The steering column module of claim 15, wherein said switching unit has unlocking means which unlock said securing means during assembly to said pre-assembled unit.
17. (new) The steering column module of claim 16, wherein said securing means comprise a securing tongue which cooperates with said contact switch.
18. (new) The steering column module of claim 17, wherein said unlocking means as comprise a raised pin-shaped structure which deflects said securing tongue when mounting to said pre-assembled unit for releasing said contact switch.
19. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, wherein said pre-assembled unit and said switching unit have centering means for common mutual alignment during assembly.
20. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, wherein said contact switch has a central receptacle which cooperates with a free end of a lever arm of said mechanism during assembly.

21. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, wherein said switching unit has a switching housing which can be disposed on said base housing.
22. (new) The steering column module of claim 12, wherein, in a final mounted state, a plurality of said switching units are disposed in corresponding switching housings on said pre-assembled unit.